

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

9. (Currently Amended) A method of making a solid electrolytic capacitor which comprises a capacitor element including an element body and a conductive wire extending therefrom, and a resin package for sealing the capacitor element, the method comprising the steps of:

connecting an element body of a capacitor element to an upper surface of each of the first electrodes and connecting a conductive wire extending from the element body to an upper surface of a corresponding one of the second electrodes via a conductive bolster;

providing an intermediate article by resin-sealing the fabrication frame to enclose the capacitor elements while exposing the lower surfaces of the first electrodes and the second electrodes; and

dividing the intermediate article into each of the unit regions[.];

wherein, prior to mounting a plurality of capacitor elements onto the frame, the conductive bolster is connected commonly to the conductive wires of the plurality of capacitor elements, the conductive bolster being subsequently cut between the conductive wires.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of making a solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 9, wherein [the connecting step comprises connecting] the conductive bolster is connected to the conductive wire by resistance welding, [connecting] the element body being

connected to the upper surface of the first electrode with a conductive adhesive, [and connecting] the conductive bolster being connected to the upper surface of the second electrode with a conductive adhesive.

15. (Currently Amended) A method of making a solid electrolytic capacitor which comprises a capacitor element including an element body and a conductive wire extending therefrom, and a resin package for sealing the capacitor element, the method comprising the steps of:

preparing a material board including a plurality of unit regions arranged in a matrix, each of the unit regions having an upper surface formed with a first and a second electrodes having respective inner ends spaced from each other by a predetermined distance and a reverse surface formed with terminal surfaces electrically connected to the first and the second electrodes, respectively;

connecting an element body of a capacitor element to each of the first electrodes and connecting a conductive wire extending from the element body to a corresponding one of the second electrodes via a conductive bolster;

providing an intermediate article by resin-sealing the material board to enclose the capacitor elements while exposing the terminal surfaces; and

dividing the intermediate article into each of the unit regions[.];

wherein, prior to mounting a plurality of capacitor elements onto the material board, the conductive bolster is connected commonly to the conductive wires of the plurality of capacitor elements, the conductive bolster being subsequently cut between the conductive wires.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of making a solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 15, wherein [the connecting step comprises connecting] the conductive bolster is connected to the [second electrode] conductive wire by resistance welding, [connecting] the element body being connected to the first electrode with a conductive adhesive, [and connecting] the conductive bolster being connected to the second electrode with a conductive adhesive.

17. (New) A method of making a solid electrolytic capacitor which comprises a capacitor element including an element body and a conductive wire extending therefrom, and a resin package for sealing the capacitor element, the method comprising the steps of:

preparing a plate-like fabrication frame including a plurality of unit regions arranged in a matrix, each of the unit regions including a first and a second electrodes having respective inner ends spaced from each other by a predetermined distance;

connecting an element body of a capacitor element to an upper surface of each of the first electrodes and connecting a conductive wire extending from the element body to an upper surface of a corresponding one of the second electrodes via a conductive bolster;

providing an intermediate article by resin-sealing the fabrication frame to enclose the capacitor elements while exposing the lower surfaces of the first electrodes and the second electrodes; and

dividing the intermediate article into each of the unit regions;

wherein the resin package has an opposite pair of side surfaces, the conductive bolster being cut to be exposed at said side surfaces of the resin package.